

# LAC LA BELLE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

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Commissioners Meeting  
**THURSDAY, March 18, 2010 – 7 P.M.**  
**Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall**  
6812 Brown Street  
Oconomowoc, WI 53066

*“The LLBMD seeks to promote environmentally conscious and fiscally responsible decisions by providing education, enhancing a healthy lake ecosystem and ensuring safe use of Lac LaBelle for today and tomorrow.”*

## Minutes

### 1. Call to Order

P. Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call of Commissioners

#### Present

Paul Carpenter  
Mike Fitzsimmons  
Sally Keefe  
Lou Morgan  
Richard Paul

#### Absent

Jan Husak  
Dave Falstad

### 3. Comments from the Floor

None.

### 4. Correspondence

#### Emails

- 2/19/10, Lisa Conley regarding links to the Lake Monitoring Database, Clarity Summary, Waukesha County Lakes, and Protecting Your Waterfront Investment
- 2/21/10, Julie Larsen, regarding Protecting Your Waterfront Investment
- 2/24/10, Michael Jones (USDA) regarding Federal Depredation Permit (Goose Roundup Permit) and 2/25/10 reply from Paul Carpenter
- 2/28/10, Lisa Conley, regarding Workshop Materials Available on the Web
- 3/2/10, Paul Carpenter to Peter Carpenter & Mike Fitzsimmons regarding Logo and Website
- 3/3/10, Christina Wallace (City of Oconomowoc) regarding contact information
- 3/9/10, Mark Frye regarding 2010 Streets Project – Chapter 30 Outfalls (PC will

email M. Frye asking for the locations and number of drains heading into LLB and a better understanding of the system and if it is uniform around the City).

- 3/17/10, Paul Carpenter to Attorney Bill Chapman regarding high water determination mark/slow no wake

#### Mail

- Letter from Thoroughbred Design Group dated 3/9/10.
- Letter from USDA with the renewed permit for the goose round-up has been received. If the round-up is to take place the USDA needs to be contacted as to when.

#### 5. Approval of Minutes – February 18, 2010

**R. Paul motioned to approve the minutes from the February 18, 2010 meeting as presented. S. Keefe seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

#### 6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed to the Commissioners at the meeting.

It was clarified that the donation to Wisconsin Association of Lakes should be \$30. The outstanding check from CarpFest will be voided and a new check sent to the recipients at a new address.

A request was received from the State asking for confirmation regarding district boundaries. M. Fitzsimmons will respond that they have not changed.

**R. Paul motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. L. Morgan seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

#### 7. Payment Authorizations

**P. Carpenter motioned to approve the payment authorizations as listed. R. Paul seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

#### 8. Discuss & Act on Transfer of Funds to a Banking Institution in order to earn Higher Interest (M. Fitzsimmons)

M. Fitzsimmons distributed a document showing different interest rates at various financial institutions (First Bank Financial Centre, ISB Community Bank, Chase, and Town Bank) for business money market accounts. The municipal rate at Town Bank is .60% and the "max safe" rate is .85% compared to the LGIP rate of .18%. Per his calculations, moving LLBMD funds presently in the LGIP account to a municipal or max safe account at Towne

Bank would provide LLBMD with an additional \$1,247.48 or \$1,767.27 annually in interest. It was assumed that the municipal rates were comparable to money market rates. Analysis showed that Town Bank had a higher interest rate.

**P. Carpentered motioned to transfer \$207,942.73 from the LGIP to the max safe account at Town Bank. S. Keefe inquired if adequate research had taken place on municipal rates. The consensus of the committee was that it had. P. Carpenter amended his motion to transfer the funds contingent upon additional information for municipal rates being obtained from the other financial institutions. P. Carpenter withdrew his motion.**

**P. Carpenter motioned to transfer \$206,942.73 from the LGIP to a max safe account at Town Bank contingent upon the Max Safe account having the best rate of all the accounts researched and confirmed after additional information has been received from the other financial institutions. L. Morgan seconded the motion. Four were in favor. M. Fitzsimmons abstained. Motioned carried.**

9. Website Updates

- Lac La Belle's Seicchi disk reading links have been posted under the "Links" section
- The meeting location was updated to reflect the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall
- Word versions of the minutes and agendas have been deleted
- Minutes and agendas have been categorized into year sections
- The lake picture has been adjusted on the website so it does not overlap the wording
- Proposals are being requested for the website design costs. A letter received from Thoroughbred Design Group was distributed to the Commissioners. Two more vendors will be requested to submit letters and costs. M. Fitzsimmons will get references from people who have worked with web designers. Additional information will be presented at the next meeting. Hosting and other services will also be investigated.

10. Discuss & Act on CarpFest Planning

**S. Keefe motioned to schedule CarpFest from noon on Friday, June 4, 2010 through 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 6, 2010. P. Carpenter seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

The following tasks were assigned:

- Acquire Permit – S. Keefe
- Order Six Yard Dumpster with plastic liner – P. Carpenter
- Manage Advertising – R. Paul
- L. Morgan suggested distributing fliers in the parochial, elementary and middle schools in addition to bait shops, Sherper's, grocery stores, the yacht club, and library.
- T-shirts – L. Morgan

- A design contest will be coordinated with art classes at the Oconomowoc High School. Design submissions are due May 14, 2010. Approximately 75-100 shirts will be ordered.
- Contact Rec Center for dumpster placement – S. Keefe
- Contact the City of Oconomowoc for a trash container on site – S. Keefe
- Sign-up times for weigh-ins:
  - Friday, 4-5 p.m. – R. Paul
  - Saturday 7-8 a.m., – S. Keefe, S. Hildebrand
  - Saturday 4-6 p.m., – M. Fitzsimmons, L. Morgan
  - Sunday 7-8 a.m. – P. Carpenter
  - Sunday 2-4 p.m. – M. Fitzsimmons, P. Carpenter
- Process results and forward to treasurer for award processing – L. Morgan
- Ben Heussner from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) – R. Paul
  - B. Heussner will be present during CarpFest and will have the DNR boat used for shocking the fish on display. R. Paul will contact B. Heussner to see what kind of presentation he will be doing and report at the next meeting. It is hoped that B. Heussner can provide the fish inventory.
- Contact Attorney Chapman – P. Carpenter
  - Determine whether sponsorships from various vendors and donations can be accepted and if so, determine tax deduction documentation.

11. Discuss & Act on Newcomer Letter (S. Keefe & J. Larsen)

A rough draft of the Newcomer Letter was distributed to the Commissioners at the meeting and reviewed by S. Keefe. The Commissioners were asked to email any revisions to S. Keefe by April 1. This letter could be given to new residents via Mary Kay Sokop, Lake Country Greetings and set out at the annual meeting. More information will be available at a future meeting.

12. Discuss Criteria to be used to Evaluate Properties that are or May Become Available for Acquisition (Sub-Committee Report)

P. Carpenter discussed the language contained in Item #2 – Protection of the proposed land supports – he envisioned “acquisition of land”; and Item #12 – Protection of the proposed land (does or would) contribute to public access and use. He asked if all acquired land was necessarily open for public use/access and what would the Lake District’s liability be on the property if someone was injured.

M. Fitzsimmons will set up another sub-committee meeting and report back at the next meeting.

S. Keefe stated that it Julie Larsen’s hope that the LLBMD board would hash out the criteria. However, S. Keefe thought the sub-committee had definite direction and she was interested in having the sub-committee develop a recommendation for the Board. R. Paul agreed. P. Carpenter was under the impression that the Board was supposed to review.

Mike Fitzsimmons agreed, noting as a member of the sub-committee, he thought the work group wanted the Board to provide direction on the criteria. It was clarified that the Foundation is separate from the Work Group. Discussion ensued. The LLBMD Board directed the sub-committee to review the criteria, refine, and make recommendations to the board.

13. Discuss Newsletter

The newsletter from last year was distributed to the Commissioners. If B. Heussner from the DNR can provide the data, the fish inventory/census would be a good article for the front page. Articles are due by the next meeting and should be emailed to S. Hildebrand at [abcsue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abcsue@sbcglobal.net).

Article assignments:

- New Slow No Wake Bill (Senate Bill 12) – S. Hildebrand
- Slow No Wake in Terms of High Water – P. Carpenter to write article, S. Hildebrand will contact the Town of Oconomowoc Clerk regarding the ordinance to determine the status.
- CarpFest – R. Paul
  - DNR participation at CarpFest
  - DNR demonstration
- Fish Inventory/Census (DNR) – R. Paul
- Boat Regulations – S. Hildebrand
- Goose Update – same as last year with opt-in form. Seventy-four geese were captured during the 2009 round-up. – S. Hildebrand
- Change of Meeting Location – S. Hildebrand

14. Prioritize Work Projects

The projects discussed at the February 18, 2009 meeting were prioritized as follows:

Number 1 Priority

CarpFest

Education Components with Ben Heussner of the DNR

Goose Round-Up

Slow No Wake Ordinance and Notification

Ben Heussner's Fishery Report

Number 2 Priority

Shoreline Restoration

LLBMD Logo

LLBMD Website

Number 3 Priority

Land Acquisition

Newcomer Letter

Number 4 Priority

Lake District Survey (2011)

Review of Lake Management Plan (late 2010/early 2011)

Consider Community Outreach Options (late 2010)

15. Set Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Lac La Belle Management District will be held at 7 p.m. on April 15, 2010 at the Town of Oconomowoc Town Hall.

16. Agenda for Next Meeting

Discuss & Act on CarpFest Activities

Discuss & Act on Newsletter

Discuss & Act on Goose Round-up

Discuss & Act on DNR Fishery Report

Discuss Slow No Wake Ordinance and Notification

Discuss & Act on Shoreline Restoration

Discuss & Act on Work Plan

Discuss & Act on Citizen Land Acquisition Criteria

Discuss & Act on Logo/Website

17. Adjournment

**R. Paul motioned to adjourn from the meeting. L. Morgan seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.**

Minutes prepared by:

Accurate Business Communications, Inc.